

## CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

1. A threaded fastener having a self-drilling tip and threads holding a substantially dry self-curing adhesive.
- 5 2. The fastener of claim 1 wherein the tip is distanced from the threads by at least 0.5 cm.
3. The fastener of claim 1 wherein the tip is distanced from the threads by at least 1 cm.
4. The fastener of claim 1 wherein the tip comprises a pinch point configuration.
5. The fastener of claim 1 wherein the adhesive is microencapsulated.
6. The fastener of claim 1 wherein the adhesive comprises first and second parts that harden  
10 when mixed.
7. The fastener of claim 1 wherein the threads comprise stainless steel.
8. The fastener of claim 1 wherein the threads are disposed about a shank, and further comprising a load bearing head at an end of the shank.
9. The fastener of claim 8 wherein further comprising a nib disposed on a surface of the  
15 head.
10. The fastener of claim 1 wherein at least a portion of the threads has a high-low configuration.
11. The fastener of claim 1 wherein the adhesive is microencapsulated, and at least a portion of the threads has a high-low configuration.
- 20 12. The fastener of claim 1 wherein the tip is distanced from the threads by at least 0.5 cm, and the adhesive is microencapsulated, and at least a portion of the threads has a high-low configuration.
13. A method of assembling a structure having a composite wall, comprising:  
providing a threaded fastener according to claim 1; and

screwing the fastener into the wall.

14. A method of assembling a structure having a composite wall, comprising:  
providing a threaded fastener according to claim 11; and  
screwing the fastener into the wall.

5 15. The method of claim 14 wherein the wall comprises fiberglass.

16. The method of claim 14 wherein the structure comprises a boat.

17. A method of assembling a structure having a composite wall, comprising:  
providing a threaded fastener according to claim 12; and  
screwing the fastener into the wall.